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Title: DEVICE FOR TREATING A MEDIUM IN A REACTOR HAVING A  
CATALYST-CONTAINING REACTION CHAMBER

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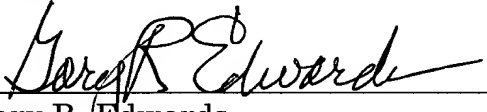
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